

# **Village Connect**

Electronic Newsletter

"To Provide a Safe, Quality Community Environment for all Islanders through Responsible Government"

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#### **Event Calendar**

# Celebration: 20th Anniversary of Village's Incorporation Street Gala

Date: Oct. 22, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm-12:00

am

Place: Monaco Pools Plaza (Crandon and W.

McIntyre)

#### Festival on the Green

Date: Oct. 23, 2011 Time: 12:00 pm-5:00

pm

Place: Village Green

### Village Council Meeting (Zoning)

### October 2011



### FY 2012 Adopted Budget Available Online

Village Council approved a \$25 million <u>budget for Fiscal Year 2012 (PDF)</u> at the October 4 continuation of the Second Budget Hearing on September 27. The millage rate of \$3.20 per \$1000 of assessed property value is unchanged; the rate was adopted in 2008. Village services remain the same on the good news that property values increased by 1.7% this year. The <u>FY 2012-16 Capital Improvement Plan (PDF)</u> was approved at the same meeting.

# Celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Village's Incorporation October 22-23

June 18, 2011, marked the 20th anniversary of the Village of Key Biscayne's incorporation. All islanders are invited to celebrate this event during weekend festivities on October 22-23. A Street Gala with dinner, dancing and cash bar will take place from 7:00pm to midnight on Saturday, October 22, at the Monaco Pools plaza (West McIntyre Street and Crandon Boulevard).

The Festival at the Village Green from noon until 5:00 pm on Sunday, October 23, will provide family entertainment, food, an art exhibit and a tribute to the founding mothers and fathers of the Village. For more information, visit the related news article at the Village website.

### **Hurricane Season Ends November 30**

The 2011 Hurricane Season, from June 1 through November 30, has been a quiet one so far for South Florida. However, stay tuned to weather forecasts since late season storms often pop up quickly in the far western Atlantic, Caribbean and Gulf of Mexico. The Village is in a "Special Flood Hazard Area" owing to its island setting and low elevation. The major threat to Key Biscayne from tropical storms and hurricanes is flooding from storm surges and rainfall. All residents and property owners are urged to visit the Village website's Hurricane and Flood Information section for updated material for the 2011 hurricane

Date: Oct. 25, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council Chamber

### National Prescription Drug Take Back

**Day** Date: Oct. 29, 2011 Time: 10:00 am-2:00

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pm

Place: Police Dept. Lobby, Village Hall

# Special Magistrate's Hearing

Date: Nov. 4, 2011 Time: 9:00 am

Place: Council Chamber

# Art in Public Places Board Meeting

Date: Nov. 8, 2011 Time: 9:00 am

Place: BZP Conference Room, Village Hall

## Village Council Meeting

Date: Nov. 8, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council Chamber

### 34th Annual Lighthouse Run

Date: Nov. 12, 2011 Time: 7:00 am

Place: Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park

### November Bulky Waste Pickup Week

Dates: Nov. 14-18, 2011

# Giving Thanks Annual Holiday Luncheon

Date: Nov. 17, 2011 Time: 12:00 noon Place: Island Room, Community Center

### Pension Board Meeting

Date: Nov. 17, 2011

season.

# Well Rehabilitation Project Along Ocean Lane Drive Begins October 11

The final phase of work to totally revamp the stormwater system along Ocean Lane Drive began on October 11th. Crews from Jaffer Well Drilling will rehabilitate Well #4 that serves this area. The work consists of brushing, video surveying, sleeving and redevelopment of the well to improve its performance.

Hours of operation starting October 11th will be from 8:00 am- 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The estimated time to completion is approximately (14) work days (about three weeks including weekends when no work will be performed). Residents are advised that Ocean Lane Drive will be partially blocked with barricades around the work area. More information is available at the Well Rehabilitation news article at the Village website.

# Officer Hernandez Earns Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification

The Key Biscayne Police Department is pleased to announce that Officer Vicki A. Hernandez is now a nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Technician. This certification allows Officer Hernandez to explain proper child restraint installation procedures to parents and caregivers, and empower them to confidently install and re-install child restraints as needed. She will also be participating from time to time at various car seat inspection events.

Parents or caregivers who wish to have their car seat checked for proper installation can call (305) 365-5555 x1128 for an appointment.

### Sign Up for the 34th Annual Lighthouse Run

Join your neighbors, friends and runners of all ages and abilities at the <u>34th Annual Key Biscayne Lighthouse 10K/5K Run and Walk</u> on Saturday, November 12th, 2011. Online registration instructions and detailed information are available at <u>www.kblhr.com</u>. The Village of Key Biscayne is a sponsor.

Park gates will open at 6:15 am (free admission) and close at 7:15 am to prepare the local roadways for the race. The 5K and 10K races begin at 7:45 am, and start and finish near the base of the historical Cape Florida Lighthouse in Bill Baggs State Park. Both races run through the State Park and the Village. Water stations and race clocks are set-up throughout course. Food, water, adult beverages, music and massages for all runners will be offered after the races.

# Halloween Safety Tips from the Key Biscayne Police Department

Halloween is an exciting time of the year and a particularly special treat for children. <u>The Key Biscayne Police Department offers online tips</u> about costume design, trick-or-treating safety and



Time: 5:30 pm Place: Council Chamber

Village Council Meeting (Zoning)

Date: Nov. 22, 2011 Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Council Chamber

Thanksgiving Day: Village Offices and Community Center Closed

Date: Nov. 24, 2011

Day After Thanksgiving: Village Offices Closed

Date: Nov. 25, 2011

Special Magistrates Hearing

Date: Dec. 2, 2011 Time: 9:00 am

Winterfest Eve

Date: Dec. 3, 2011 Time: 4:30 pm Place: Village Green

Winterfest

Date: Dec. 4, 2011 Time: 12:00 noon Place: Village Green

Art in Public Places
Board Meeting

Date: Dec. 13, 2011 Time: 9:00 am Place: BZP Conference Room, Village Hall

December Bulky Waste Pickup Week

Dates: Dec. 14-18, 2011

Seasons Greetings Annual Holiday Luncheon

Date: Dec. 15, 2011 Time: 12:00 noon <u>suggestions for homeowners</u> that can help make Halloween safe and more enjoyable for everyone.

Key Biscayne Police Department staff will hand out glow sticks the week of Halloween for children to wear while out and about on October 31. Parents may also come to the Police Department at Village Hall to pick-up one glow stick per child.

# Public Works and County Join Forces to Educate Islanders on Proper Oil and Grease Disposal

The Village of Key Biscayne and the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department (WASD) have initiated a public education campaign about the importance of proper disposal of oil and grease in households and restaurants. The take home message for homeowners and businesses is do not pour oil and grease down the sink as these compounds can clog pipes. This can lead to expensive plumbing repairs or damage to the sanitary sewage system. Visit the Village website news article for more information on the Can the Grease campaign, and why proper disposal is essential to avoid potential public health and environmental problems.

### **Village Department News You Can Use**

#### Administration/Finance:

The search for a new Finance Director and Director of Public Works will begin once the new Village Manager is in office. In this way the Manager will be able to help craft the job description and interview candidates for the position.

### **Building, Zoning and Planning:**

On May 31 2011, the State approved new regulations for Local Business Tax Receipts (Florida Law Chapter 2011-78 Section 3. Section 205.194). The law states that "Any person applying for or renewing a local business tax receipt to practice any profession or engage in or manage any business or occupation regulated by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, the Florida Supreme Court, or any other state regulatory agency, including or any board or commission thereof, must exhibit an active state certificate, registration, or license, or proof of copy of the same, before such local receipt may be issued. Information about the change arrived too late for FY 2012 renewals but will be enforced next year.

#### Police:

National Teen Driver Safety Week runs from October 16-22. This year's theme is supporting parents in teaching their children to drive. More information is available at the <u>Teen Driver Safety Week news article</u> at the Village website. The KBPD will participate in the <u>DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day</u> on Saturday, October 29, 2011. Persons who want to dispose of unwanted and unused prescription drugs may do so in the Police Department lobby from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Place: Island Room, Community Center

Christmas Eve: Community Center Closes at 4:00 pm Date: Dec. 24, 2011

Chrismas Day: Village Offices and Community Center Closed Date: Date:

New Year's Eve: Community Center

Dec. 25, 2011

Closes at 4:00 pm Date: Dec. 31, 2011

New Year's Day: Village Offices and Community Center Closed

Date: Jan. 1, 2012

Art in Public Places
Board Meeting

Date: Jan. 10, 2011 Time: 9:00 am

Place: BZP Conference Room, Village Hall

More information on these events is available at the Village website Event Calendar

**Contact Information** 

Village Manager (305) 365-8919

Village Clerk (305) 365-5506

**Public Works** (305) 365-8945

**Police** (305) 365-5555

#### **Public Works:**

Free mulch is available to Village residents at the City of Miami mulch facility in Virginia Key. Bring your own containers or bags (double-bagging of garden bags is suggested); City staff will help load your vehicle. More information is available at the Free Mulch article at the Village website.

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Send an email to jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov

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